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## U2 Pilot Powers To Sign Book

Francis Gary Powers, the U2 spy pilot captured in the Soviet Union, will arrive here today to autograph a book about his version of the 1960 flight, "Operation Overflight."

Powers will be at Mills Bookstore in 100 Oaks Shopping Center from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

HIS WRITINGS, once suppressed by the Central In-

telligence Agency, are now published by Holt, Reinhart and Winston Inc.

In the book, Powers says that Lee Harvey Oswald may have tipped off the Soviets and that President Eisenhower may have been incorrectly briefed by the CIA.

Powers also says that U2s on "special missions" spied on American allies and that U2 pilots were never instructed to commit suicide — carrying poison was optional.

THE BOOK details Powers' mission and his capture which wrecked a summit meeting and forced the U.S. president to make a unprecedented admission that he had authorized espionage.

Powers said he and every other spy pilot were unprepared for an "accident." He said they were never told what to do in case of capture and were never given a cover story.

HE SAID that although the Soviets were shooting rockets at U2s as early as 1953, the word capture was mentioned only once in a briefing, and then the instructions were: "You may as well tell them everything, because they are going to get it out of you anyway."

Powers spent 21 months behind the Iron Curtain before he and another American were released for Communist agent Rudolph Abel.